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In re the Application of
DAVID E. FORD, ET AL.

: Art Unit: 1711

Serial No.: 09/756,477

: Examiner: Rajguru

Filed: January 8, 2001

: Atty. Dkt.: 6240.880

Title: THERMOPLASTIC DOOR SKINS
AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURE
THEREOF

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

April 9, 2002

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
And Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action of March 14, 2002, Applicant hereby elects
claims 1-7 with traverse. The Examiner asserts that the process as claimed (claims 8-12)
can be used to make a materially different product. However, the Examiner fails to
support this assertion. Furthermore, examination of all claims, 1-7 and 8-12, will require
similar if not identical searches given the product and process of manufacture relates to
door skins. As such, Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's assertions.

It is believed that no fee is due with this submission. Should that determination be incorrect, then please debit Account 50-0548 and notify the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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